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SUBJECT

THE BAHAMA ISLANDS

Nassau to Kingston

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- #1 The Bahamas are a group of tropical islands and reefs covering a distance of almost 600 miles, in crescent formation from the north coast of Santo Domingo to the east coast of Florida.
2. Being so situated the Bahamas must look Seaward for a good share of their living necessities. Hundreds of ships convert these waters into commercial highways and their harbors into scenes of great activity.
3. But let's hoist sail at Nassau, the Capital and great winter resort, and take our course for Kingston, Jamaica, gathering on the way some idea of what Columbus had to contend with amid this wonderful group of submerged mountain ranges.
4. Many a thrilling tale may be told of bloodthirsty Pirate deeds --- for not so long ago these waters were darkened with their crimes.
5. Ships are passed laden with their cargoes of Bananas, Cocoa, Sponges, etc., on their way to some distant port.
6. The temptation is great when it comes to taking the risk of sailing through one of these three navigable channels and often on board ship may be found something besides the regular cargo.
7. But it's a \$2,000 fine for the Captain to allow the stowaway to land in the United States.
8. Arriving at Matthewtown, Inagua, B. I., a salt center.
9. Fishermen there will be as long as fish are willing to be caught.
10. Unloading log wood to be used in the manufacture of black-dye. This wood is too heavy to float.
11. When Columbus landed upon these islands some 400 years ago, they were thickly peopled with Indians. Nearing the coast of Jamaica.
12. Port Royal.
13. Its matchless beauty has been heralded around the world. The famous Harbor of Kingston, Jamaica.
14. The End.

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